

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Endowments Department – Allegations of grave lapses and irregularities committed by Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer in the administration of Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta – Initiation of Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIG.IV.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 780.

Dated the 29th of June, 2011.

Read the following:-

- 1) Govt.Memo.No.6942/Vig.IV(1)/2011-3, Dt.11.3.2011.
- 2) From Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, formerly J.C.ED & E.O., SLNSD., Yadagirigutta, Explanation dt.24.3.2011.

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer in the administration of Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta, in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of imputations of misconduct/misbehaviour in support of each Article of Charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses (Annexure-III & IV) by whom the proposed Articles of Charge are sustained, are also enclosed.

3. Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta is directed to submit his written statement of Defence within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles of Charge which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of Charge in writing.

5. Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta is also informed that if he does not submit his Written Statement of Defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be processed based on material available on record exparte.

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6. Attention of Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta is invited to Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government, If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. K.V. RAMANA CHARY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, the then Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer, Sri
Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta **through**
the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad.
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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI E. SRINIVASA RAO, FORMERLY JOINT COMMISSIONER AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SRI LAKSHMINARASIMHASWAMY VARI DEVASTHANAM, YADAGIRIGUTTA.

1. Though Crores of rupees are shown as expenditure on different heads of expenditure, no care has been taken for the improvement of facilities in the temple like construction of toilets, providing water facility, shelters, Proper "Q" lines and dress changing rooms etc. Even no proposals were prepared and sent to the Competent Authority for providing civic amenities in the temple; failed to provide minimum facilities to the pilgrims and failed to take decision for providing minimum amenities to the pilgrims.
2. There was no cleanliness in the temple premises, Kalyanakatta, Gundam area and other places of the temple and a huge crowd in Kalyanakatta and devotees were waiting in the hall. There was mud existing on the Wash Basin wall of the Kalyanakatta, which seems to be not removed for months together. No sanitation was there, though Lakhs of rupees were incurred on the said Head of Account.
3. There were no Toilets, dress changing rooms and water taps near Gundam (Koneru); One Tin Shed is in dilapidated condition without privacy and no care has been taken for construction of dress changing rooms, particularly for ladies and Gents in general, as a result, the devotees were experiencing lot of inconvenience.
4. The sanitation near the Gundam was in pathetic condition. Water of the Gundam was very thick showing mud mixing. No steps have been taken for purification of water. The devotees were taking holy dip in the same water. Even there were no water taps nearby Gundam for the convenience of the devotees. There was every possibility of spreading of infectious diseases to the devotees, if the same situation is continued at the Gundam.
5. The sanitation near Filter Bed was in worst condition. The Filter Bed machinery was not in working condition. No action was taken by the Executive Officer and the Engineering personnel to bring the machinery into running condition.
6. There was no neatness in the Dormitory hall. Pilgrims were facing inconvenience due to the unhygienic conditions.
7. In Nityannadanam hall, unhygienic conditions are prevailing. It was not maintained properly, which was likely to effect the health of the pilgrims. Kitchen windows were seen broken and lot of Fungus was existing on all the corners of the ceiling.
8. In spite of sufficient source of income accrued to the temple by way of pilgrim contribution and crores of expenditure incurred towards various heads, the Executive Officer has failed to take action on providing minimum facilities to the pilgrims which do not cost even Rs.1,000/-.
9. He has failed to arrest pilferage of income on certain items which caused loss of revenue to the temple.

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10. The store room which was utilized for supply of sanitation material was in a worst condition. There was no electrical supply to the store room and the entire rooms looks like Booth Bungalow. It was very clear that, the Executive Officer was not taking any care on the maintenance of the temple rooms.
11. The width of the "Q" line is very congested and narrow. The same is not designed for the convenience of the devotees. If the same is continued, there is every possibility for stampede. Though the pilgrims are in "Q" line, the Fans are not in working condition. The roof was covered by tin sheets and there is no facility of water, seating arrangements. It is taking two to three hours of time for Darshan of the deity for general public, which was not taken care of by the Executive Officer. The Executive Officer has failed to provide even proper "Q" line for the visiting pilgrims leaving aside the convenient Darshan of the deity.
12. He has failed to take care to provide the Prasadams with adequate weight and standard. 10% less in Laddu weight is found against the fixed standard weight of 80 Gms.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI E. SRINIVASA RAO, FORMERLY JOINT COMMISSIONER AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SRI LAKSHMINARASIMHASWAMY VARI DEVASTHANAM, YADAGIRIGUTTA.

That Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, while working as Joint Commissioner & Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta has committed the following grave lapses and irregularities:-

That E. Srinivasa Rao, while working as Joint Commissioner & Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Yadagirigutta, though Crores of rupees are shown as expenditure on different heads of expenditure, no care has been taken for the improvement of facilities in the temple like construction of toilets, providing water facility, shelters, Proper "Q" lines and dress changing rooms etc. Even no proposals were prepared and sent to the Competent Authority for providing civic amenities in the temple; failed to provide minimum facilities to the pilgrims and failed to take decision for providing minimum amenities to the pilgrims.

He has failed to maintain cleanliness in the temple premises, Kalyanakatta, Gundam area and other places of the temple and a huge crowd in Kalyanakatta and devotees were waiting in the hall. There was mud existing on the Wash Basin wall of the Kalyanakatta, which seems to be not removed for months together. No sanitation was there, though Lakhs of rupees were incurred on the said Head of Account. There were no Toilets, dress changing rooms and water taps near Gundam (Koneru); One Tin Shed is in dilapidated condition without privacy and no care has been taken for construction of dress changing rooms, particularly for ladies and Gents in general, as a result, the devotees were experiencing lot of inconvenience. Water of the Gundam was very thick showing mud mixing. No steps have been taken for purification of water. The devotees were taking holy dip in the same water.

The sanitation near Filter Bed was in worst condition. The Filter Bed machinery was not in working condition. No action was taken by the Executive Officer and the Engineering personnel to bring the machinery into running condition. There was no neatness in the Dormitory hall. Pilgrims were facing inconvenience due to the unhygienic conditions. In Nityannadanam hall, unhygienic conditions are prevailing. It was not maintained properly, which was likely to effect the health of the pilgrims. Kitchen windows were seen broken and lot of Fungus was existing on all the corners of the ceiling.

Inspite of sufficient source of income accrued to the temple by way of pilgrim contribution and crores of expenditure incurred towards various heads, the Executive Officer has failed to take action on providing minimum facilities to the pilgrims which do not cost even Rs.1,000/-. He has failed to arrest pilferage of income on certain items which caused loss of revenue to the temple. The store room which was utilized for supply of sanitation material was in a worst condition. There was no electrical supply to the store room and the entire rooms looks like Booth Bungalow. It was very clear that, the Executive Officer was not taking any care on the maintenance of the temple rooms.

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Thus the Charged Officer by above mentioned act has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and acted in a manner which is unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened Rule 3 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus Sri E. Srinivasa Rao, while working as Joint Commissioner and Executive Officer, Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, has made himself liable for disciplinary action.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI E. SRINIVASA RAO, FORMERLY JOINT COMMISSIONER AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SRI LAKSHMINARASIMHASWAMY VARI DEVASTHANAM, YADAGIRIGUTTA ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Note C.No.94/M(Endts)/2011, dt.13.2.2011.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI E. SRINIVASA RAO, FORMERLY JOINT COMMISSIONER AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SRI LAKSHMINARASIMHASWAMY VARI DEVASTHANAM, YADAGIRIGUTTA, ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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